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12. (Confidential - GLC) Called Larry Silberman, Justice Department, and told him we were getting down to the crunch on the hearing by the Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties and the Administration of Justice, ~~House Judiciary Committee~~. Silberman said he was having a meeting at 4:00 today with Chairman Rodino, of the full Committee, and Chairman Kastenmeier, of the Subcommittee. I said our problem is that Mr. Cotter, Security Officer of the Post Office Department, has been told they fully intend to go into the mail intercept business with him in open session. He feels he cannot refuse to go into it. Silberman said he would be in touch after his meeting. I advised John McMahon, A/DDA, of this call and told him we would have to wait to hear from Silberman.

Later in the evening, Silberman called regarding his session with Rodino and Kastenmeier. He said Kastenmeier was not terribly sympathetic about deferring the mail intercept issue to the Select Committee, but when he told Kastenmeier that the matter was also under review by the Justice Department and questioning Cotter might disrupt things, they agreed to do all they could to stay out of that area. It is their prime area of interest, however. Silberman said he call Lou Cox, General Counsel of the Post Office Department, and told him to tell Cotter that if they did ask questions about this, Cotter should offer to come back in closed session to answer. I passed this information on to John McMahon.

13. (Unclassified - GLC) Sally Horn, in the office of Representative Jonathan Bingham, called and said she had talked with Bingham and he would like someone to come up and brief him on SALT and the verification capabilities. She asked if this could be set up for Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. I told her I would check with Carl Duckett and get back in touch with her.

14. (Unclassified - GLC) Marc Kliman, in the office of Representative Les Aspin, called and, referring to Secretary Schlesinger's chart on military assistance and civil defense, wanted to know how the figures change if you include military assistance. I checked with [redacted] and asked him to call Kliman directly.

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11. (Confidential - LLM) In response to his earlier call, met with Ned Fitch, in the office of Representative Willis D. Gradison (R. Ohio) and covered a number of topics.

12. (Unclassified - LLM) Last week in follow up of the briefing of Senator Dick Clark (D., Iowa) on Southeast Asia, dropped by and left for the Senator a copy of the unclassified paper on North Vietnamese aid.

13. (Confidential - LLM) Inadvertently met Bruce Lehman, Counsel, Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties, and the Administration of Justice, ~~House Judiciary Committee~~, in the Rayburn Building and he expressed his hope that we would be forthcoming soon since it is his responsibility to develop the facts the best way he can. Lehman said he might have to resort to other means. He said he had talked with Chairman Robert Kastenmeier about the possibility I had suggested and said Kastenmeier would be most pleased to sit down with an Agency representative and hear the story as we know it and, of course, to completely protect the confidences involved while not forfeiting his option to pursue the matter independently.

14. (Internal Use Only - LLM) [redacted] called from Colorado indicating that he was a good friend of Representative Bella Abzug (D., N. Y.) and associated with the Vietnam Moratorium and wanted to know how to obtain information on any file maintained on him by the Agency. I told him to write the Freedom of Information Coordinator and gave him the address.

15. (Confidential - LLM) Called John Swearingen, Senate Rules and Administration Committee staff, in follow up to Chairman Howard Cannon's letter to Mr. Colby of 6 March 1975, and reviewed with him a draft reply which he found completely acceptable. He is somewhat concerned whether George Murphy, of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy, will ever let him in the vault to inventory the documents. I said that is a problem between himself and Murphy and we cannot get involved.

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16. (Secret - LLM) Frank Kirkpatrick, Laos/Cambodian Desk, State Department, called to discuss follow up item number 32 from the briefing of the Subcommittee on Foreign Assistance and Economic Policy, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, by Ambassador Habib, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, et al, relating to

I told Kirkpatrick that the answer to the question was considered classified and that we would deal with the Subcommittee directly and he somewhat reluctantly agreed to this arrangement. I told him we would let him know as soon as we had responded to the Subcommittee on the matter.

17. (Confidential - LLM) Not being able to reach [redacted] at home or place of business last night, contact was finally made in which I told him that I was not sure of the outcome of the "other means" of providing information being sought by Bruce Lehman of the Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties, and the Administration of Justice, ~~House Judiciary Committee~~, and that in fairness to [redacted] there should be a determination whether the Agency will release him from his secrecy oath to discuss his knowledge of the mail intercept program with Lehman. In view of the fact that I had to depart for the Hill shortly, I said I would raise this matter for him but he said he could raise the matter himself. I gave him the DDO's number as an appropriate starting point.

Later in the afternoon, [redacted] called to keep me apprised of developments indicating that based on Dave Blee's, ADDO, advice, he [redacted] had told Lehman that he was not being released by the Agency from his secrecy oath and Lehman, while disappointed, appeared to accept this on the basis that the information might be forthcoming directly from the Agency. Lehman expects a call from me per [redacted] and if he does not receive one he will call us. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

18. (Confidential - LLM) [redacted] NE Division, called in connection with the Major Barrett case to report that the congressional interest was Senator Gale McGee (D., Wyo.) and that the matter at issue apparently is Barrett's mandatory retirement from the service. [redacted] is content that the Agency will be alerted if there is any possibility of submitting sensitive Agency information to Senator McGee's office in connection with the Senator's interest in this case.

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